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*Report from Rotterdam.*

ROTTERDAM, NETHERLANDS, *March 13, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report of the transactions at this station for the week ended March 10, 1900: Twelve vessels were inspected and received bills of health. The steamship *Werkendam*, sailing on the 7th instant, carried both passengers and freight. She carried 13 cabin and 211 steerage passengers. One hundred and four pieces of baggage were inspected and labeled and 35 pieces of baggage were disinfected and labeled. Five hundred and seventeen bales of disinfected rags were shipped to the United States from this port during the week. The health of the port and city continues good.

Respectfully,

A. R. THOMAS,

*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.*

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

*Plague at Manila.*

QUARANTINE STATION,

*Angel Island, Cal., March 23, 1900.*

Following telegram just received:

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA,  
*San Francisco, Cal., March 23, 1900.*

*Dr. Kinyoun, Angel Island, Cal.:*

Dr. Brown, board of health, Manila, writes, February 13: There have been over 100 cases of plague with 90 per cent of deaths. Not spreading much, only 1 instance of second case in same house. He has a force of 132 natives and Chinese making house-to-house inspection, disinfecting and burning everything except the buildings.—FORWOOD, *Chief Surgeon, U. S. Army.*

KINYOUN,

*Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.*

PORTO RICO.

*Report from Ponce.*

PONCE, PORTO RICO, *March 12, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith the quarantine and abstract bills of health reports for the week ended March 10, 1900. Also mortality statistics for the two weeks ended the same date. Typhoid fever is prevalent and seems to be increasing. The board of health burned a small shack as being the only practical means of disinfection. A rumor of 12 cases of yellow fever in Ponce was investigated, but found to be absolutely false. Such rumors are common here. Shipping has been heavy, but nothing of special interest occurred.

Respectfully,

W. W. KING,

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The SURGEON-GENERAL,

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